

EPSILON SIGMA PHI  
Alpha Rho - Kansas Chapter  
2005 ANNUAL MEETING  
October 17, 2005  
Kansas State University, Manhattan

The 2005 annual meeting of ESP was called to order by president Marie Blythe. with 49 members present.

Trudy Rice moved to approve the minutes of the 2004 annual meeting as presented. It was seconded and the motion passed.

Stacey Warner reported on the consolidated financial statements. The checking account balance as of Sept 13 was \$21,930.15. Total assets of the chapter are \$29,619.03. She pointed out that no loan or travel grants had been given. The report included expense of a scholarship to the Public Issues Workshop for Trudy and income from United Associations Conference. Fred DeLano moved and Dale Fjell seconded to accept the treasurer's report. The motion passed.

Fred DeLano gave the audit report. He reported the treasurer's affairs to be in good shape and balanced. Bev Dunning moved to accept the audit report, it was seconded and passed.

Carl Garten reported on the endowment fund with a balance of \$83,3791.93. \$6,461.34 of this is expendable balance. Grants will be announced at the Awards Banquet at Annual Conference.

Marie called the members' attention to the written officer and committee reports as presented. She highlighted points of the president's report. She presented items for future discussion and action including:

- \* After the '04 bylaws change, a metro area council position was included, which is no longer valid. She asked the committee to consider a revision for representation considering county and district staffing plans, and to present a report at board meeting.
- \* Retirement activities could be increased as some other states do. Lois Carlson will co-chair the retiree committee with Les Frazier to coordinate more activities for the increasing number of retirees across the state.
- \* Jim Lindquist indicated there is a national endowment fund drive for a permanent endowment of \$500,000 which is lacking \$220,000. National will be sending a letter to be sent by the state presidents to members listing amounts and percentages of members participating.
- \* Roger Terry amended the Resource Management report in the committee recommendation section, second statement to delete "and that those funds not be included in expected (budgeted) receipts," referring to UAC funds.

Carl moved to accept the written reports, it was seconded and carried.

There was no old business.

The bylaw changes were presented by Michael Vogt. They included: changing "active" to "annual" form of membership (this conforms with national) in article VIII, sections 1 and 2, and

article XI; and to include “district” with county under standing committees in article VII, section 2. Constitution changes presented were: replacing “National Honorary Extension Fraternity” with “The Extension Professionals’ Organization” in article I; and changing “active” to “annual” in article III, sections 1 and 2. Donna Martinson moved to approve these changes, it was seconded and carried.

Laurie Chandler presented the new slate of officers:

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| President          | Trudy Rice      |
| Vice-President     | Connie Hoch     |
| Secretary          | Jan Stephens    |
| Treasurer          | Stacey Warner   |
| Editor             | Karen Blakeslee |
| Annalist/Historian | Sandra Wick     |

Council Directors:

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|-----------------|----------------|
| NW              | Keith VanSlike |
| Metro           | Mary Lou Odle  |
| State           | Danny Rogers   |
| Endowment Board | Jodi Besthorn  |

Marie asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, Eric Otte moved nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for the slate of officers. The motion was seconded and carried.

Stacey presented the 2006 budget for 102 members. Andrea Schmidt moved to approve the budget, it was seconded and carried.

Stacey Warner drew for the free membership. Jean Clarkson-Frisbie was the recipient.

New members were introduced and inducted by Anna Muir. They were: Debra Bolton, Kathy Tharman, Kelly Whitfield, Audrey Maxwell and Lisa Long. The creed was read by all.

Marie installed the new officers.

Donna Martinson suggested that the board look at the All Associations banquet and awards presentations. Questions are about when awards should be recognized as some are given at two times.

Announcements:

- \* National meeting will be in Colorado Springs in November. Twenty-one members from Kansas are attending and Alpha Rho chapter will receive the Gold award.
- \* Stacey announced a Web-based seminar: Reflections on Extension Leadership.
- \* Ann Domsch encouraged members to participate in the auction at the awards banquet.

The new president, Trudy Rice announced that she will appoint chair-elects of committees to rotate responsibilities and the next board meeting will be November 14, by conference call. She expressed appreciation to outgoing president Marie Blythe and presented her with a gift to recognize her year as president.

The meeting was adjourned.